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For	:	A GAS FILLED ARC DISCHARGE LAMP AND A METHOD OF MAKING THEREOF)	
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the June 2, 2004, Restriction Requirement, Applicant hereby elects Group I which includes claims 1-20 and 44-46, with traverse. Applicants traverse the restriction requirement on the basis that the claims of the present application require common areas of search and consideration. Since no serious burden exists for search and examination of the groups defined in the outstanding office action, no benefit is derived from imposing restriction among Group I, II, and III. Therefore, the restriction requirement should be withdrawn. In view of all of the foregoing, Applicant submits that this case is in condition for allowance and such allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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